Acton EDIC Minutes of Meeting, February 8, 2005

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

Present: Josh Chernin, Harry Hedison, Jon Avery, Bonnie Wilson, and Jim Walker.

The meeting minutes of January 17th were accepted.

There was no update on the proposal received on the Transfer Station.

There was no update on the Mass Technology Collaborative.

The group discussed the EDIC's mission and goals and a gap between the Town's expectations and the EDIC's ability to address the expectations. It was agreed that the original goal of the EDIC was to grow the properties in the "CID" zoning uses. In 1990 the CID properties amounted to 20% of properties within the Town however today in 2005 the number is 13%. A primary goal would be to increase the number of CID properties therefore taking some of the burden off the residential property owner. However, currently the EDIC does not have the resources to implement this goal.

It was suggested that one method the EDIC could use to implement the goal and get resources would be to get tax title property from the Town and either redevelop the property or sell it if it was residential to get the resources to do more projects.

It was suggested that the group set up a meeting with members of the BOS to do some strategic planning regarding the mission and goals of the EDIC.

Action Items for Next Meeting: Work on a letter to the BOS discussing EDIC mission and goals.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.